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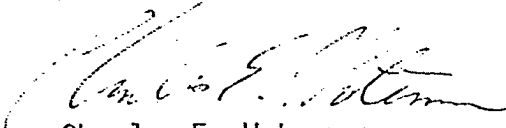
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SUBJECT: Implications of a PLO Split

The hypothetical possibility exists of a split in the PLO should Arafat make a statement recognizing Israel, and endorsing a formula for Jordanian/Palestinian negotiations with Israel. Little thought has been given to the plus and minus of such a development. The attached memo, drafted by Bruce Riedel in consultation with our consultant [redacted] draws the conclusion that such a split would be positive from the point of view of our interests. It is being given informally to several appropriate Assistant Secretary level officials. [redacted]

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